

DESERT AIRMAN

Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.

Friday, Feb. 22, 2002



Senior Airman Greg Davis

2002 ACC Heritage Conference March 2-3

D-M hosts the Annual Air Combat Command Heritage Conference March 2 and 3.

The conference was created in cooperation with the International Council of Airshows in 1997 to celebrate the Air Force's 50th anniversary. It allows the public to view vintage warbirds flying alongside modern fighter aircraft. The flying members are civilian pilots approved by ACC to fly with ACC Demonstration Team aircraft throughout the U.S. and Canada at airshows from March through November.

The conference also provides an opportunity for D-M members and their families to see flying operations and witness Air Force history. A viewing area will be set up for D-M members. For more information, visit: www2.acc.af.mil/airdemo.

A/OA-10 Thunderbolt II

The A/OA-10 Thunderbolt II is the first Air Force aircraft specially designed for close air support of ground forces. The "Hawg" is a simple, effective and survivable twin-engine jet aircraft that can be used against all ground targets, including tanks and other armored vehicles.

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Specifications

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Wingspan: 57 feet, 6 inches
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Performance

Speed: 420 mph Ceiling: 45,000 feet
Max. takeoff weight: 51,000 pounds
Armament: 30 mm, seven-barrel Gatling gun; up to 16,000 pounds of mixed ordnance

(Editor's note: The March 1 issue of the Desert Airman includes a full-color Heritage Conference poster that pilots are available to autograph during the event).

Air Force nose art pays tribute, reflects American spirit, resolve

By Tech Sgt. B. Coors-Davidson
355th Wing Public Affairs

As a symbol of America's spirit, dedication and resolve since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon, many Air Force fighters, bombers and transport aircraft will soon receive a special addition to their paint scheme.

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper has directed the use of the "Let's Roll" nose art on select aircraft. The design of the "Let's Roll" nose art comes from United Airlines Flight 93 passenger, Todd Beamer, who used the

phrase just before he and other passengers helped foil hijackers Sept. 11.

Addition of the art to selected aircraft should be accomplished by March 15, and will remain on the aircraft until the first anniversary of the attacks.

The Air Force premier jet demonstration team, the Thunderbirds, now sports the design. All major command demonstration team aircraft, wing flagships and other aircraft directed by wing commanders may also display the nose art.

"This symbol is one way for the Air Force to pay tribute to the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and to America's spirit," Jumper said.



Air Force graphic

Gen. John Jumper, Air Force Chief of Staff, has authorized many Air Force aircraft to display the "Let's Roll" nose art.



Col. Paul Schafer
355th Wing Commander

Supporting each other and working together to provide the best programs and services is a goal for all D-M people.

Ideas, suggestions, comments, concerns and kudos are important to make improvements.

The best way to pass along a comment or to get an answer to a concern is to **contact the agency chief or functional managers listed here.** Still no solution? The Commander's Corner phone line is 228-4747.

An e-mail can also be sent to: 355thWingCommandersCorner@dm.af.mil.

Callers must leave their name, phone number and a message. They will receive a prompt reply in writing or by telephone. We will honor caller confidentiality, but sometimes we need to contact callers to gather additional information. If a concern is of general interest to the base

populace, the response may be published in the *Desert Airman*. Anonymous calls may not be published.

Agency numbers

AAFES Agencies.....	228-3904
Accounting and Finance	228-4964
Chaplain.....	228-5411
Civil Engineering.....	228-3401
Clinic.....	228-2930
Commissary.....	228-3116
Family Support.....	228-5690
Fitness Center.....	228-3714
Housing Office.....	228-3687
Inspector General.....	228-3558
Legal.....	228-6432
Lodging.....	228-4845
Military and Civilian Equal Opportunity Office	228-5509
Military Personnel.....	228-5689
Public Affairs.....	228-3204
Security Forces.....	228-6178
Services.....	228-5596
Transportation.....	228-3584

Red light

Concern: I was on a field trip with your Services Squadron for the Winterhaven community Christmas lights show.

The van's driver ran a red light at Alvernon and Pima! The light was red for three seconds before we even entered the intersection.

Thank God I didn't get hurt. I think the driver needs to be talked to very seriously.

Response: Thank you for your concern regarding the services' van driver running a red light and endangering its occupants.

The driver of the van was a volunteer. He had never been to Winterhaven prior to that night and was following another services' van.

All volunteers are briefed on the travel route prior to departing the base in case they are separated from the lead vehicle.

In this particular incident, the light turned yellow as the lead van was in the intersection. Instead of the second van stopping for the light, the driver chose to continue through the intersection to stay with the lead van.

We agree that this was poor judgment on the driver's part and could have jeopardized the safety of the individuals in the van.

In the future, we will stress to our drivers that they need to adhere to traffic laws and

pay more attention to the safety of our customers while driving services' vehicles.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact Connie Knoob at 228-3736.

Bus route

Concern: I am calling because bus service is no longer active on base.

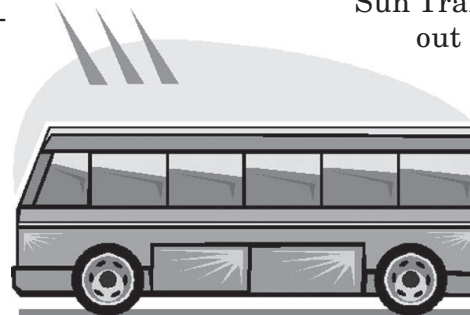
I have an alternative plan if someone would take it into consideration. If you could get with Sun Tran and figure out a schedule where only military retirees could drive Sun Tran buses on base, it might work out that way.

Also, instead of having a six-day schedule on base, just cut it down to five days and cut the hours during the week.

Response: Thanks for your thoughtful suggestion. On Jan. 21st, Sun

Tran resumed service to D-M, dropping non-military passengers at the bus stop north of Golf Links Rd.

We continue to work hard to make improvements that make access to our many services and facilities as easy as possible under current Force Protection Conditions. Please realize, however, that when the base's FPCONs are in a higher state, Sun Tran service to base will be affected and people should plan accordingly for that potential contingency.



Mission Spotlight

(Editor's note: Mission Spotlight is a feature in the Desert Airman which profiles a snapshot of different Davis-Monthan units, their unsung heroes and mission.)

Members of the 355th Rescue Squadron and 355th Wing work together recently in response to a rescue call.

The mission of the 305th RQS is to provide day and night rescue to downed aircrews in hostile territory, countering enemy threats with advanced tactics such as terrain masking, night vision, inflight refueling and pinpoint navigation. The unit flies the HH-60 "Pave Hawk" helicopter, a twin-turbine, single rotor, all weather aircraft that can carry up to 8,000 pounds of cargo.

More than 100 airman from the 305th RQS, part of the 939th Rescue Wing, are preparing for deployment, providing search and rescue capabilities, in support of Operations Southern Watch and Enduring Freedom.



Tech. Sgt. B. Coors-Davidson



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Air Force OSI offers airmen rewarding, challenging career

By 2nd Lt. Becky Warren
355th Wing Public Affairs

Military members looking to cross-train into a challenging and rewarding career field now have the opportunity to become Special Agents with the Air Force Office of Special Investigations. Headquarters AFOSI is conducting a recruiting briefing Wednesday at 9 a.m. at the D-M Officers' Club.

"We encourage everyone interested in AFOSI to come to the briefing," said a Special Agent from D-M's OSI Detachment 217. "If you are not sure you want to be in AFOSI, but are interested, come to the briefing to learn more about what we do."

While AFOSI is searching for applications with foreign language, computer, and technical skills, these are not mandatory qualifications to become a special agent.

"Maturity, communication skills and a logical thought process are equally important characteristics of AFOSI applicants," the agent said.

Selected applicants become members of a highly trained team that investigates felony crimes against persons and property. Members detect and defeat base level and contract fraud, combat threats to the Air Force's information systems and technologies, and provide counterintelligence support to force protection.

"AFOSI is not a typical job. The days are never the same, and the work is exciting. AFOSI allows you to be involved in a wide variety of disciplines within the criminal justice field,

whereas other federal law enforcement agencies only focus on a few specific areas," said the agent.

Enlisted personnel who are eligible include senior airmen with less than six years time in service, staff sergeants through master sergeants with outstanding records and fewer than 12 years military service, along with security forces members in the grades of staff sergeant select through master sergeant. Members must have 18-months time on station.

Officer applicants must have less than 12 years total of Active Federal Military Service, and less than six years total Active Federal Commissioned Service. The Air Force Personnel Center must also agree to release the officer applicant from his or her current career field.

"Everyone will be given an equal opportunity to join, and anyone who is interested should come to the briefing," said the agent.

Those accepted into the command will attend the Fed-

eral Law Enforcement Training Center, Glynco, Ga.

The course is 12-weeks long and includes instruction in law, investigative theory, report writing, forensics, interview techniques and other subjects designed to prepare Special Agents for the challenges of their career.

For more information on AFOSI special agent duty prior to the recruiting briefing, visit the AFOSI website at www.dtic.mil/afosi, or contact the local AFOSI detachment at DSN 228-5168.



Air Force graphic

Emergency Numbers

Ambulance.....911
Casualty Assistance.....228-3686
(After duty hours).....228-3121
Duty Chaplain.....228-5411
(After duty hours).....228-3517
Fire Reporting.....911
Public Affairs.....228-3204
(After duty hours).....228-7400

Mortuary Officer.....228-5964 or 4414
(After duty hours).....228-3121
Command Post.....228-7400
355th Security Forces Crime Stop....228-4444
Safety.....228-5558
(After duty hours).....909-0316
Base locator.....228-3347
TIPS Line.....228-TIPS (8477)

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4 p.m. to midnight Sundays for a ride.

News Notes

Estate claims

Any person or persons having claims for or against the estate of Senior Airman Nicolas A. Naumann, deceased, assigned to the 357th Fighter Squadron, should contact the Summary Court Officer, 1st Lt. Eric Bixel at 481-3128 or 516-8637.

Tax assistance

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Center office offers tax preparation assistance through April 15. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 228-3489 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Fashion show and dinner

The Black Heritage Association presents "A Celebration of Black Fashion" show and dinner March 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club. Cost is \$20. For tickets, call Staff Sgt. Pam Blueford at 228-2892, Staff Sgt. Renee Eady at 228-2874 or Staff Sgt. Christina Jones at 228-2570.

Women's History Month contest

There is a Women's History Month essay and art contest for categories including children through adult with prizes awarded in each category. Submissions due by March 4. For contest rules or more information, call Capt. Sarah Chilson at 228-2904.

VA Creative Arts competition

The National Veterans Creative Arts program hosts a competition for art, music, dance drama and crafts for veterans receiving care at the VA Hospital. Submission deadline is March 8. For more information, call 792-1450, Ext. 6394.

AFCEA luncheon

There is an Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association luncheon Feb. 27 at 11 a.m. at the Officers' Club. Guest speaker is Brig. Gen. Walter Jones, US Joint Forces Command, Computer Systems director. The cost is \$8.95 per person. For reservations, call 2nd Lt. Erin Tams at 228-0651 or 2nd Lt. John Leary at 228-3425.

Retreat participants wanted

The Family Support Center and D-M Chapel seeks former Chaplain's Enrichment Development Operation Retreat participants or facilitators to assist with starting a local CREDO Program. For more information, call 228-5411.

TRICARE update

The TRICARE fiscal year catastrophic cap was recently reduced to \$3,000 for retirees, their family members and survivors under 65. The benefit is retroactive to Oct. 1, 2001. For more information, visit www.tricare.osd.mil/ndaa or call (888) 874-9378.

Military families not alone when tragedy strikes

(Editor's note: This is part three of a series of stories to help educate D-M's military members and their families about the Air Force programs and agencies dedicated to helping families after the death of a uniformed family member. Comments can be made directly to the Desert Airman at desert.airman@dm.af.mil.

By 2nd Lt. Becky Warren
355th Wing Public Affairs

The Survivor Assistance pamphlet is designed to provide general information on most benefits and privileges that are entitled to the family of a military member who dies while on active-duty. The pamphlet is given to the family by the Casualty Assistance Representative when they meet for the first time after a death has occurred.

Even though the pamphlet is extensive and provides important information, it is almost useless if the active-duty member has incorrect duty forms. This includes the Department of Defense Form 93 and the Servicemember's Group Life Insurance Form 8283, Claim for Death Benefits. Correct information on these forms is essential in making sure the next-of-kin receive the entitlements they deserve. Military members can review and update these forms at their orderly room.

"We have actually had several instances where an ex-spouse or a parent received the SGLI or other benefits, when it should have gone to an immediate spouse or child," said Robby Robertson, Casualty Services chief.

Anytime a military member moves, remarries, divorces or has a child, their records should be up-

dated. Single military members must also update their forms when their parents move or pass away.

"We have a goal to provide timely notification and compassionate assistance every time there is a casualty, but anytime records are incorrect, we can not accomplish our task," said Teresa Perrin, Casualty Assistance representative.

The family of an active-duty member may be entitled to many benefits, which include a Death Gratuity Check, Servicemembers Group Life Insurance and a Survivor Benefit Plan. These are all explained in the Survivor Assistance Pamphlet.

A Death Gratuity check in the amount of \$6,000, of which \$3,000 is taxable, is presented to the member's lawful surviving spouse within 24-hours of notification of death. If there is no spouse, it goes to the child or children of the member, regardless of the children's age. The death gratuity payment helps with any immediate expenses.

The next benefit is SGLI. Coverage is automatic to the maximum allowed by law, unless the member elected a lesser amount or declined coverage in writing. The member has many options for beneficiaries, but if they decide not to designate one, the



Stephanie Ritter

Hunter Saucier (left), 3 year old son of Staff Sgt. Kathy Register and Staff Sgt. Wade Register, and Connor Nelson, 3 year old son of Kim and Senior Airman William Nelson, play at the Child Development Center. D-M members are reminded of the importance of insuring personal records are accurate so family members can be taken care of in the event of death, injury or illness.

proceeds are automatically paid to the member's lawful surviving spouse. If there is no spouse, the money goes to the children of the member in equal shares. If there are no children and no spouse, it is divided equally between the parents.

"The SGLI can be complicated, but if the form is correct and is updated, then there should be no problems in getting the correct person the appropriate entitlements," said Perrin.

The Survivor Benefit Plan is a monthly annuity paid by the Air Force to the surviving spouse, or in some cases, eligible children, of a member who dies on active duty. Every married member is entitled

to the SBP as of January.

"The SBP is basically a monthly annuity paycheck. The amount varies with each case because it is based on a percentage of the member's pay at the time of death. Before this January, this benefit was only entitled to active duty members who were eligible for retirement. Now, all active duty military members automatically qualify for the SBP," said Perrin.

On December 28, 2001, President Bush signed the National Defense Authorization Act of 2002 into law that changed who is entitled to receive an active duty death SBP annuity. The new law

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Emergency Data Card

Simple form neglected by many D-M members

By Stephanie Ritter
355th Wing Public Affairs

Deployments, promotions, immunizations, pay and professional military education are just a few of the things that military members may think about on a daily basis. There is one thing, however, that can outweigh all of these and directly impacts a member's family.

If a service member is killed or becomes seriously ill or is injured, Air Force Instruction 36-809 states "prompt notification is essential so that families do not learn of an incident from an outside source." D-M's Military Personnel Flight's Casualty Affairs office experienced problems with notifications on all of the last five Davis-Monthan casualties.

The Department of Defense Form 93 lists

the next of kin to be notified if there is an emergency. It is the responsibility of a military member to make sure their form reflects accurate information. Unfortunately, these forms are frequently outdated and incorrect.

"The most frequent and distressing error would be erroneous addresses listed for next of kin notifications," said Robby Robertson, Casualty Affairs chief. "If a spouse, child, or parent moves, the DD Form 93 needs to reflect the change. The number two problem is if a parent dies and number three is if a military member's marriage status changes."

The birth of a child or the death of anyone listed on the original form also needs to be recorded.

The DD Form 93 not only lists emergency contact information but also designates the recipient of the death gratuity payment and

who should receive any money remaining in the member's military pay account. Outdated information can hinder payments or even cause inaccurate payments. "We have had many instances where an ex-spouse or a parent received the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance benefits, when it should have gone to an immediate spouse or child," Robertson said. "Although this issue is not something most people like to think about, it is a necessity. This is especially true in times of war. It's important that we give timely notification to family members. That can't be done if the form is incorrect."

Military members should review and update their DD Form 93 at their orderly room or the customer service at the Military Personal Flight. For more information, members should call their first sergeant.

Hole in one ...



Stephanie Ritter

Scott Crowley (foreground) and Carlos Coronado, EPC Construction Company, replace sewer lines along Fifth St. Feb. 14. The road is closed between Granite St. and Kachina until further notice and affects traffic near the Desert Inn Dining Facility, Community Center and 355th Supply Squadron.

Not alone

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provides that an SBP annuity be paid to the spouse, dependent child or children of any active duty military member who dies while on active duty.

The Survivor Assistance Pamphlet discusses each of these issues in greater detail and includes information about commissary, base housing, identification card and other basic issues.

"It is a loving thing to make sure your spouse and children are taken care of by updating your forms," said Perrin. "No spouse wants to find out after their husband or wife has died, that they have been accidentally left off of a Form 93, or that an ex-spouse is the SGLI beneficiary."

At D-M, the Casualty Assistance Representative prepares a personalized Survivor Assistance Pamphlet for the beneficiary. Anytime a military member dies on active duty, the survivor is provided with the necessary information and completed claims forms, so they do not have to do it themselves.

"I break down exactly what the dollar amounts are for the survivor, and make sure they don't have to do anything except grieve. I can't lessen their loss, but I do everything possible to ease the administrative burden. At a time like this, finances should be the least of the family's concerns," Perrin added.

Grand Opening

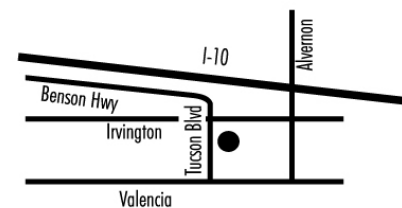
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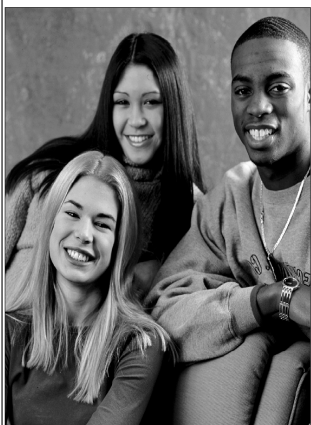
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Air Force Assistance Fund campaign begins Monday

The 2002 Air Force Assistance Fund campaign, with the theme "Commitment to Caring," begins on Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Monday and runs through March 29.

"Last year, the Desert Lightning Wing raised \$77,478. It was one of D-M's best drives ever," said 2nd Lt. Michael Shellhamer, this year's AFAF project officer.

D-M members are asked to take pride in their Air Force Family and to show their readiness to "Take Care of Your Own."

The annual AFAF campaign raises money for four charitable organizations benefiting active-duty, Reserve, Guard, retired Air Force members and their families, including surviving spouses and families. In 2001, AFAF affiliate organizations provided D-M members with more than \$389,000 in financial emergency assistance. Donations to the AFAF campaign can be made through cash, check or payroll deduction.

Contributions can be to one or more of the charities, and 100 percent of contribution are given to the charities.

The four AFAF organizations that benefit from AFAF contributions are:

Air Force Aid Society

The AFAS is the official charity of the Air Force. Their top priority is assistance to active-duty members and their families, but consideration is given to assisting retirees and widows on a limited, case-by-case basis. Reserve and Guard



Col. Paul Schafer (right), 355th Wing commander, fills out his Air Force Assistance Fund form with assistance from 2nd Lt. Michael Shellhamer, 355th Component Repair Squadron.

members on active-duty may also be eligible for emergency assistance. The AFAS also offers education assistance programs and community enhancement programs. For more information, visit www.afas.org.

AF Enlisted Men's Widows and Dependent's Home Foundation

The Foundation offers housing and financial assistance to surviving spouses of retired Air Force enlisted members. The surviving

spouse with the greatest need is cared for first, but none are refused assistance. AFEWH currently owns 379 housing units at two Florida Facilities.

More information on the AFEWH can be found at <http://www.afenlistedwidows.org>

AF Village Indigent Widow's Fund

The village, located in San Antonio, Texas is a life-care community for retired officer's spouses, widows or widowers and family members. Additional information about Air Force Villages can be found at www.airforcevillages.com.

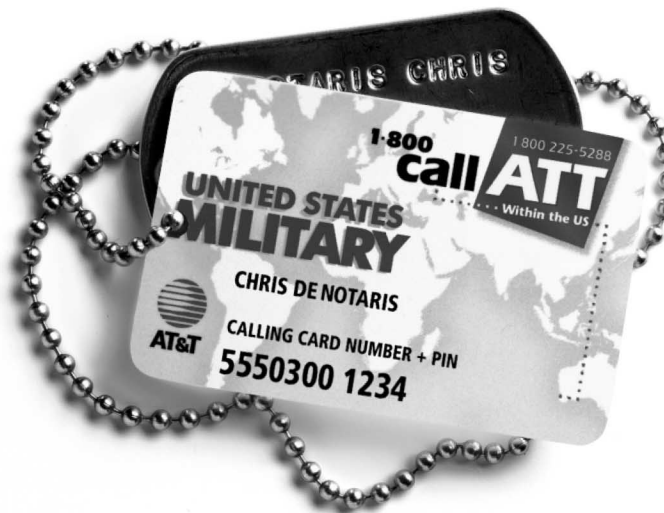
General and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation

The LeMay Foundation provides rent and financial assistance to indigent officer's and enlisted widows or widowers in their own home and community. For more information, visit

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To donate to the AFAF, or for more information on unit AFAF representatives, call 2nd Lt. Michael Shellhamer at 228-5377 or Master Sgt. Marc Shaeffer at 228-1705.

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The Twilight Zone

Preparing for retirement, remembering those that follow

**By Tech Sgt.
Stan Gustafson**
355th Logistics Support
Squadron

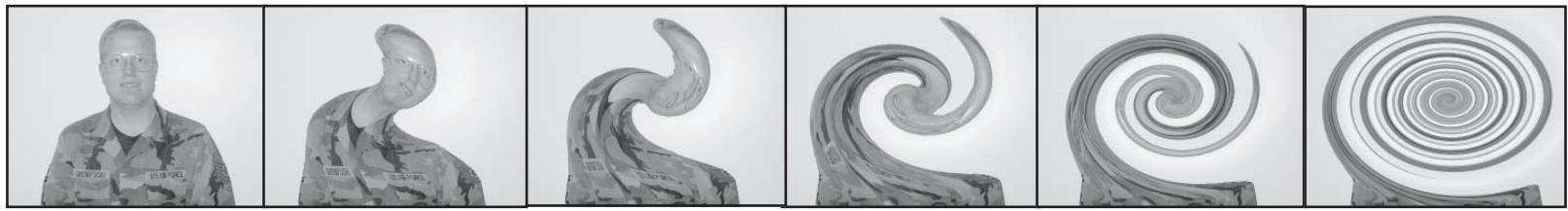


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I never gave much thought to getting older or retiring from the Air Force until I deployed to Kuwait two years ago. There, the young faces of airmen, soldiers and Marines made me realize that after more than 15 years of service, I was now in the "twilight zone" of my career.

I call it the "twilight zone" because it is a time to contemplate life after Air Force while continuing on with and excelling in your career. The challenge is to stay motivated, active...to still be enthusiastic. The "twilight zone" doesn't have to be the "dead zone". Listed below are several ways that you can still contribute.

Train, support, mentor

The young men and women coming into the service today rely on our expertise and experience to guide them. As NCOs, we have the opportunity and responsibility to ensure that the next generation of airmen receive the training, support and mentorship they need to sustain them

throughout their careers. Our successes and failures can serve as valuable lessons for the future force.

Motivate

I'm sure we can all remember the "Retired-On-Active-Duty" members we encountered in our careers. It is too easy to focus on hitting 20 years and retiring. The challenge for those of us in the "twilight zone" is to keep the momentum going. Our responsibility is to motivate the young troops. But, to keep them motivated, we have to be motivated ourselves.

Prepare yourself

Once in the "twilight zone", review your financial status and goals, such as paying off debts or improving your nest egg. Consider what you need to do in preparation for a second career after you retire. The planning you do now will help make the transition go more smoothly.

Take advantage of education opportunities

while you are still in the service. Tuition assistance pays for 75 percent of the cost of tuition. Additional opportunities include utilizing the Montgomery GI Bill Top-Up program that pays the remaining 25 percent of tuition costs.

Another means of preparation is building a resume. So much of what we do—supervision, management, financial planning, etc.—is comprised of valuable skills that can easily be used in the private sector. Programs such as Troops to Teachers recognize the values and discipline we have obtained by actively recruiting former service members.

Over the years, I have been to many retirement ceremonies. For some, it was a quiet and simple exit, for others it involved major fanfare. My goal is to retire at the peak of my performance, pride and accomplishment (to go out on top). Preparations while in the "twilight zone" will help ensure that happens.

Final Answer ————— What is one of your favorite memory of your time in service?

Editor's note: While at the Veteran's Administration Hospital for Valentine's for Veterans Feb. 14th, patients and staff members were asked this week's Final Answer question.



**Retired Chief
Ron Hand**

Air Force veteran

"While serving in Southeast Asia, two generals told me I was the only enlisted man they had ever seen that had the authority to do all structural engineering on battle-damaged F-105s and F-101s."



Ronnell Grant

Air Force veteran

"Working at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe in Belgium, and working at the Pentagon for the Office of the Secretary of Defense."



David Laroque

Marine Corps veteran

"Serving with my men in Vietnam. There were some bad times, but there were also some good times. It's belonging to that brotherhood."



**Retired Tech. Sgt.
Vicky McManaman**

Air Force veteran

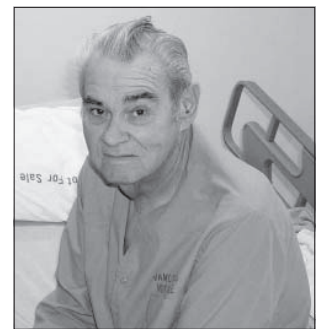
"My first base and my last base. I never had a bad assignment."



Dorie Curry

Navy veteran

"I've had so many. One is working at the Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Md., where I interacted with the pediatrics patients that were so sick. It was a chance to nourish and a chance to be nourished."



Mel Jordan

Navy veteran

"I enjoyed it all. I was in the amphibious force and on an Underwater Demolition Team. I enjoyed it all."

(Editor's note: "The Final Answer" is a forum for D-M members to voice their opinion on current events. Suggestions for "Final Answer" questions can be made directly to the Desert Airman at desert.airman@dm.af.mil.

355th Dental Squadron keeps D-M smiling

By Capt. (Dr.) Darren S. Greenwell
355th Dental Squadron

February is National Children's Health Month and the 355th Dental Squadron would like to give members of the Davis-Monthan community a few tips to maintain a healthy smile for a lifetime.

As with other things in our busy lives, we tend to neglect ourselves in order to succeed in caring for others and our country. Our oral care is no exception. So the 355th Dental Squadron would like to remind everyone of the need to reflect on themselves and remember in order for us to succeed in life we must maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Our oral health is directly related to our overall health. There have been numerous studies in the past decade relating oral disease to systemic disease. Periodontitis has been linked to diabetes, heart disease, and pre-term babies. Both dental decay and periodontitis can lead to tooth loss and hindering us from being able to properly chew our food.

A few tips for the parents. A healthy beginning for your children will instill in them the importance of daily oral care. Children should have their teeth brushed as soon as the first baby tooth erupts. Use a soft brush with only water until the child is able to expecto-

rate toothpaste. Brushing should be accomplished twice daily. Flossing can begin around two years of age. By the age of six the child should be encouraged to brush and floss on their own. Fluoride should be supplemented if the water in your area is not at the American Dental Association's recommended levels. Your dentist or physician can prescribe fluoride supplements. Regular dental visits are very important and the first visit should be scheduled by the child's first birthday.

A healthy diet is essential in order to maintain a healthy smile. The teeth, gums and bone require the essential nutrients provided by a well-balanced diet. Three things are required to cause tooth decay: teeth, sugar, and bacteria. If one of these three items is not in the equation you will not get tooth decay. We can't eliminate the teeth or bacteria, but we can limit the sugar.

The bacteria in everyone's mouth consume sugar and excrete acid, which attacks our teeth. By limiting the amount and frequency of sugar consumed by the bacteria, we can reduce the amount of acid that attacks our teeth. Sodas, snacks between meals, and candy should be kept to a minimum.

Remember your smile can last a lifetime with the proper care and diet. For more information, contact your dentist or physician.



Tech. Sgt. B. Coors-Davidson

Col. Paul Schafer, 355th Wing commander, signs a "Children's Dental Health Month" declaration presented by Senior Airman Danielle Smalley, 355th Dental Squadron.



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Sonoran Spotlight

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Name: Senior Airman Brandon Clark

Organization: 355th Operations Support Squadron

Duty title: Aircraft Armament Systems Specialist

Hometown: Lancaster, Pa.

Years of service: 3

Reason for joining the Air Force: To obtain a higher level of education and to give back a portion of what my country has been given to me.

Main responsibilities: To ensure A-10 weapons personnel are trained to the highest standard.

Best aspects of job: The people I work with and knowing that I am responsible for training combat-ready troops.

Goals: Since I've earned my pilots license while on active duty, I plan to further enhance my skills and become an Air Force fighter pilot.

Hobbies/outside activities: Flying

Favorite thing about D-M: The people, my job, and the great flying weather!

Inspiration: My wife, mother, and father for their positive influence and all their support.



Stephanie Ritter



File photo

Lt. Col. Donald "PK" Parkhurst, Detachment 3 Air Combat Command Training Support Squadron commander, took top honors in the High Altitude Dive Bomb category in the 355th Wing Top Gun competition.

358th Fighter Squadron 'Lobos' best in 'Top Gun' competition

The 358th Fighter Squadron 'Lobos' took first place in five of seven categories in the recent 355th Wing Top Gun competition.

Top Gun competition categories include overall Top Gun, High Altitude Release Bomb, High Altitude Dive Bomb, High Altitude Tactical Rockets, Visual Level Delivery, Infared Maverick and Long-Range Strafe.

Individual award winners are:

Overall Top Gun

Lt. Col. David "Bells" Bellamy, 358th Fighter Squadron

High Altitude Release Bomb

Capt. Eric "POD" Hosafros, 354th Fighter Squadron

High Altitude Dive Bomb

Lt. Col. Donald "PK" Parkhurst, flying for the 358th FS

High Altitude Tactical Rockets

Maj. Andrew "Cassius" Kleya, 358th FS

Visual Level Delivery and Long Range Strafe

Capt. Derek "Chili" Davis, 358th FS

Infared Maverick

Maj. David "IV" Ide, 357th Fighter Squadron



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Lost in the translation

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Danger! A dangerous toy. This toy is being made for the extreme priority the good looks. The little part which suffocates when the sharp part which gets hurt is swallowed is considered generously. Only the person who can take responsibility by itself is to play.
(Janie McLaury, 355th Wing Public Affairs)

Back in the old days

Two old soldiers were boasting about their Army days. "Why, my outfit was so well drilled," declared one, "that when we presented arms, all you could hear was slap, slap, click."

"Very good," conceded the other. "When my company presented arms, all you could hear was slap, slap, jingle."

"What was the jingle?" asked the first.

"Oh," replied the other off-hand. "That was just our medals."

(Editor's note: "The Lighter Side" is a forum for all D-M members to submit original, previously unpublished Department of Defense, Air Force, 355th Wing and D-M comics, cartoons, photographs and humorous military stories and quotes. Political satire and altered photographs will not be published. Stories must be 100 words or less. Contributions for "The Lighter Side" can be made directly to the 355th Wing Public Affairs Office, Building 2300, Suite 2054, or through e-mail to desert.airman@dm.af.mil. The editor can be reached directly at 228-3152.)

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U.S. Army Regulations For The Operation Of "Aeroplaner"
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1. Do not take the machine into the air unless you are satisfied it will fly.
2. Never leave the ground if the motor is dripping.
3. Do not make any sharp turns while on the ground. Sharp turns will be made by lifting the tail.
4. No machine will taxi faster than a man can walk.
5. Never run motor so as to blow on other machines.
6. Never get out of a machine with the motor on until the pilot taking over can reach the controls.
7. Pilots should carry kerchiefs in a place so as to clean his goggles.
8. Riding on the step, wing, or rails of the machine is prohibited.
9. Never take a machine into the air until you are familiar with the controls and instruments.
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11. No two cadets shall ride together in the same machine.
12. In case the motor stops when taking to the air, the pilot should land straight ahead regardless of obstacles.
13. On taking to the air, one should look at the ground and the air.
14. You must not take-off or land closer than 50 feet to the hangar.
15. Hedge-hopping shall not be tolerated.
16. No spins on back or tail slides will be indulged in as it puts unnecessary strain on the machine.
17. Do not trust altitude gages.
18. If you see another machine near you, get out of the way.
19. Learn to gauge altitude, especially when landing.
20. IF FLYING AGAINST THE WIND AND YOU WISH TO FLY WITH THE WIND, DO NOT MAKE A SHARP TURN NEAR THE GROUND. ***YOU MAY CRASH.***
21. If an emergency occurs while in the air, LAND as soon as possible.
22. Before a landing glide, look to see that no machines are below you.
23. Motors have been known to stop while on a long glide. If the pilot wishes to use the motor to land, he should open the throttle.
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Body Art

Air Force policy explained

By 1st Lt. Chrissy Cuttita
355th Wing Public Affairs

Plan to show your love for a significant other by getting a tattoo of their name? When considering a tattoo, military members should remember to follow the guidelines in Air Force Instruction 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel, Table 2.5.

"Air Force members with existing tattoos not meeting an acceptable military image should be required to (a) maintain complete coverage of the tattoos using current uniform items (e.g. long-sleeved shirt/blouse, pants/slacks, dark hosiery, etc.) or (b) volunteer to remove tattoos," according to AFI.

The policy was created June 8, 1998, because commanders and first sergeants wanted clear standards and guidelines on body art.

The bottom line is; unauthorized tattoos are prohibited and inappropriate tattoos must be covered. If a tattoo brings discredit upon the AF and is prejudicial to good order and discipline, it is prohibited.

Unauthorized- An unauthorized tattoo is one that's obscene, or one that advocates sexual, racial, ethnic or religious discrimination.

Inappropriate- Inappropriate tattoos are those that exceed one quarter of the exposed body part and/or those placed above the collarbone. Ultimately, the policy is determined between the individual and their commander.

Failure to follow the AFI is a direct violation of Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice and can lead to disciplinary action and separation.

Removal of tattoos can be done at dermatology clinics at Langley Air Force Base, Va., and Wilford Hall Medical Center, Lackland AFB, Texas. The average time for laser removal is 25 visits and can be painful, depending on tattoo size and color. This is a permissive temporary assignment, travel and lodging costs will be paid by the military member.

For those who still want a tattoo and are willing to follow Air Force instructions, a little research and common sense can go a long way towards preventing a painful and permanent mistake.

"Don't settle for the first artist you speak to; shop around and ask to look at portfolios," said Vicki Fuhrmann, a Tucson tattoo artist and member of the National Tattoo Association. "Look for certified tattoo artists and those who are members of a professional tattooing organization."

Tattoo shops should comply with health standards that outline the practice of clean and sanitary equipment. Equipment should be sterilized, artists should wash with germicidal soap, clean apparel and rubber gloves should be worn, and the surfaces should be constantly wiped clean and lined with plastic pads.

After tattoos are put on the skin there are cleaning and care procedures that must be followed.

In her 20 plus years of tattooing Fuhrmann stated that most tattoos people want removed are those inked on by "at home" artists, most professional work is not only best quality but also something that people have obviously put time into thinking about.

And yes, people do ask to remove names of former significant others, even a couple who ended their marriage after 25 years. Fuhrmann said in her experience guys are usually more gullible than girls to tattoo a name to their body.

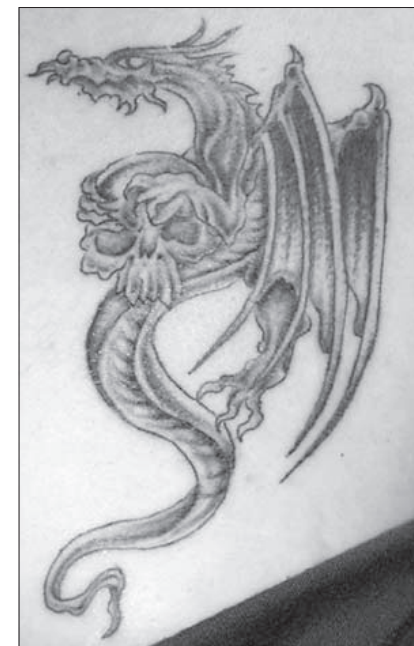


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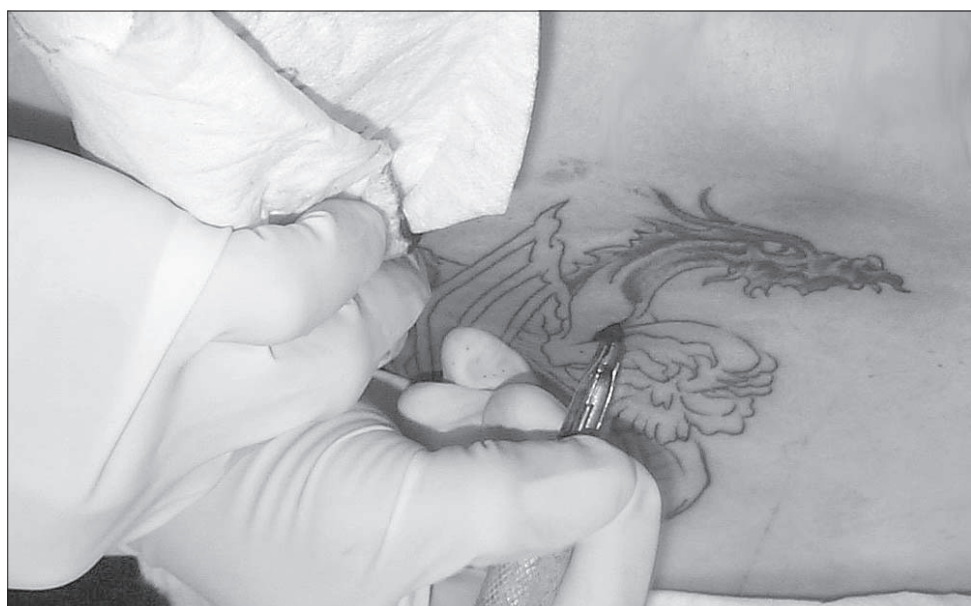
2nd Lt. Becky Warren

Above and below: An A/OA-10 pilot displays tattoos he believes reflects pride in his profession.



Stephanie Ritter

Above and below: Senior Airman Tom Cohee, 355th Operations Support Squadron, has an assortment of tattoos. To Cohee, tattoos are a form of self expression.



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Tattoos are applied by an electronic needle that injects colored ink under the skin.



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Photos by Stephanie Ritter
Debbie Wherry, MacVoy Tile, installs ceramic tile in the bathrooms at the new fitness center.

Building better health

*New center opens soon,
355th Services Squadron
fitness staff 'warming-up'
for move into new home*

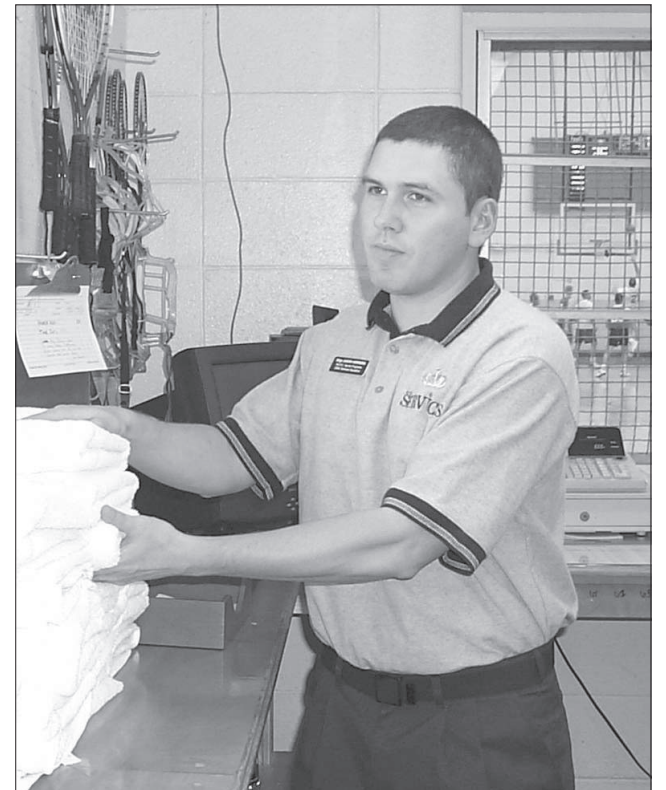
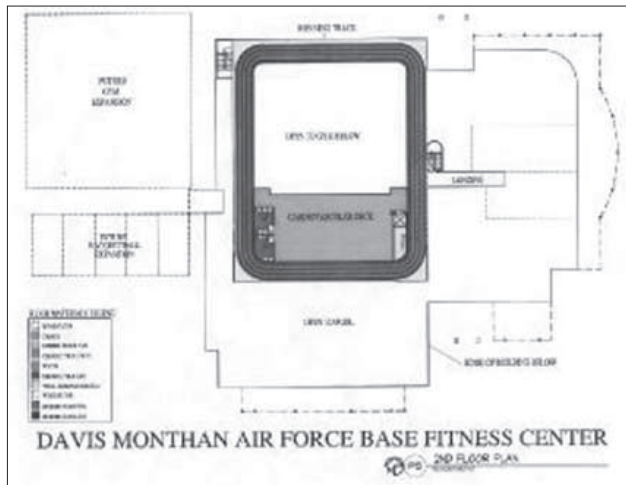


Graphics courtesy of 355th Services Squadron

The new fitness center is expected to open about June and features a juice bar, indoor track, lap pool, basketball courts, weight rooms and cardio theater. One innovation the staff plans to incorporate is an area where parents can get their cardio workout and keep an eye on their children.



Joseph Ruiz (left) and Eddie Encines, Mountain Power Company, install light fixtures above what will be the front desk of the new fitness center.



Above: Staff Sgt. Jason Herrera, 355th SVS, tends to numerous operational duties at the Haeffner Fitness Center. The fitness center is an important part of D-M member's health, fitness and readiness.

Above center: Plans depict the second-floor, indoor running track of the new fitness center.

Left: Anthony Murillo, Standard Drywall Inc., does a balancing act as he smooths drywall joints in what will be the men's locker room at the new fitness center.

Scoreboard

Bowling

OWC (Week 17)

Team	W-L
P.I.	92-44
Spare Change	81-55
MGM Lions	80-56
The Trio	76-60
Donna's Dolls	75-61
Three Bees	62-74
SOS	58-78
High Game: Donata Oliver, 205	
High Series: Donata Oliver, 539	

Phantom Mixed (Week 16)

Team	W-L
Arnold's Amigos	91-37
The Cajuns	78-50
So So's	78-50
Rat Pack	71-57
Strike Force	68-60
No Fear	66-62
Lucky Strikes	64-64
Aches & Pains	56-72
Alley Oops	54-74
Avengers	48-80
The Dragons	46-82
Herman's Heroes	42-86

Tuesday Early Risers (Week 19)

Team	W-L
Wee Bee Bad	88-64
Ally Kats	88-64
Sunflower Gals	86-66
Monarchs	80-72
Fireballs	76-76
Dream Catchers	69-83
Hit and Miss	61-91
Goyaab's	60-92
High Game: Oliva Ondrish, 184	
High Series: Mary Davis, 498	

Intramural - National (Week 20)

Team	W-L
CES	100-52
SVS #1	90-62
12 AF #1	90-62
SVS #2	88-64
CRS	87-65
TRANS	86-66
358 FS	85-67
CPTS/MSS	78-74
12 AF #3	76-76
COMM #1	76-76

EMS/AMMO	74-78
OWS #1	74-78
CONS	60-92
High Game (Men): Andy King, 257	
High Game (Women): Donna Munsey, 171	
High Series (Men): Andy King, 702	
High Series (Women): Donna Munsey, 493	

Intramural - American (Week 20)

Team	W-L
MDG #1	109-43
AMARC	102-50
MDG #2	87-65
25 OWS #2	82-70
42 ACCS	76-76
EMS/MAINT	72-80
41 ECS	62-90
High Game (Men): James Green, 236	
High Game (Women): Kristin Dunbar, 216	
High Series (Men): John Cook, 637	
High Series (Women): Kristin Dunbar, 551	

Pinrollers (Week 21)

Team	W-L
Uh Huh Girls	124-44
Whip It	107-61
Fabulous Four	92-76
The Dreamers	92-76
LADY	84-84
The Handicap Queens	71-97
High Game: Gloria McKinney, 203	
High Series: Gloria McKinney, 565	

CE Mixed (Week 19)

Team	W-L
Powerballs	20-0
HVAC	16-4
Just 4 Fun	14-6
Now N Then	13-7
BOP	13-7
Good Bad & Ugly	11-9
BJs Bunns	11-9
The Cans	11-9
Brew Crew	10-10
The Officers	0-16

Thursday Night (Week 21)

Team	W-L
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Four Seas	114-54
PCs	100-68
Great Golf Score	94-74
Mickey's Mavericks	93-75
PBJs	91-77
FUBAR	88-80
SKAR-Y	84-84
Pick One	82-86
Strikeouts	82-86
Sparely Making It	78-90
Once Upon A Time	78-90
WSCA	64-104
Mission Impossible	62-106
Ice Breakers	62-106

High Game (Men): Bil Davidson, 235	
High Game (Women): Carolyn Barton, 224	
High Series (Men): Danny Atkins, 654	
High Series (Women): Kristin Dunbar, 527	

Bantams (Week 18)

Team	W-L
Brownies	76-60
Strykers	70-66
Lego Cops	67-69
Tigerstrike	59-77
High Game (Boys): Caleb Herrera, 108	
High Game (Girls): Alicia Jones, 104	
High Series (Boys): Caleb Herrera, 255	
High Series (Girls): Alicia Jones, 252	

Preps, Juniors, Majors (Week 19)

Team	W-L
The Bone Busters	106-38
The Mean Team	92-52
Fireballs	90-54
Team 11	88-56
Strikers 2	88-56
Team 4	85-59
Rockbots	70-74
3 Boys & A Girl	68-76
Strikers 1	57-87
Pin Smashers	54-90
Dreamers	54-90
High Game (Boys): Kevin Ekstrom, 190	
High Game (Girls): Amanda Falk, 194	
High Series (Boys): Travis Falk, 470	
High Series (Girls): Amanda Falk, 526	

Basketball

Intramural Mon/Wed (Final Standings)

Team	W-L
SFS	7-0
357 FS	5-2
42 ACCS	5-2
12 AF	5-3
MDG	5-3
354 FS	4-3
162 ANG	4-4
EMS/AGE	2-6
41 ECS	1-6
COMM	0-7

Intramural Tues/Thurs (Final Standings)

Team	W-L
TRANS	8-1
25 OWS	7-2
CES	7-2
SVS	6-3
43 ECS	5-4
SUPS	4-5
MSS	4-5
CRS	3-6
358 FS	1-8
EMS	1-8

Over-30 Mon/Wed (Final Standings)

Team	W-L
12 AF	7-1
SUPS	6-2
CES	6-2
42 ACCS	5-3
SVS	4-4
MDG	3-5
COMM	3-5
CONS	2-6

Over-30 Tues/Thurs (Final Standings)

Team	W-L
SFS	7-0
43 ECS	5-2
CRS	5-2
25 OWS	5-3
MSS	3-4
LSS	2-5

Sports Shorts

Self-defense seminar

A Korean Martial Arts Instructor will give a free self-defense seminar beginning at noon Saturday at the Fitness Center. James Pumarejo, a 3rd Degree Black Belt in Dang Soo Do (Korean Karate) and a 2nd Degree Black Belt in Haidong Gumdo (Korean Swordsmanship), will cover the areas of the law and your right to self-defense; defense against a striking opponent; defense against a hold; and defense against an armed opponent in the seminar, which begins at noon. The seminar is open to anyone age 8 and older. Attendees should plan to wear comfortable, loose-fitting clothing. For more information, call Jay Junsay at 228-3714.

Baseball skills evaluations

Baseball skills evaluations will take place Saturday beginning at 9 a.m. Youth must have a sports physical prior to the skills evaluation. For more information, call 228-8844.

ODR trip to Tonto National Monument

Outdoor Recreation will take a trip to the Tonto National Monument, Saturday. The trip will include visits to two cliff dwellings that housed the Salado Indians. The lower ruins is a 19-room pueblo, made of quartzite rocks, caliche mortar and mud plaster. Cost is \$15 per person and registration must be completed prior to the day of the trip. For more information, call 228-3736.

Youth baseball needs

Volunteer coaches are needed for the youth baseball season. Free training will be provided 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Youth Center. The training session is open to anyone interested in volunteering as a youth baseball coach as well as parents of players. For more information, call 228-8844.

Varsity softball tryouts

Men's varsity softball tryouts continue every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6 p.m. at Field #1. For more information, call Al Luna at 228-1246.

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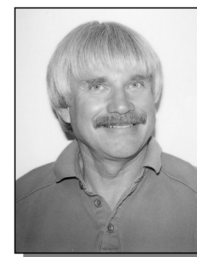
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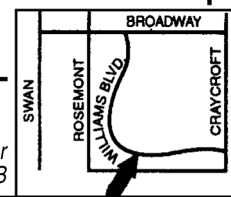
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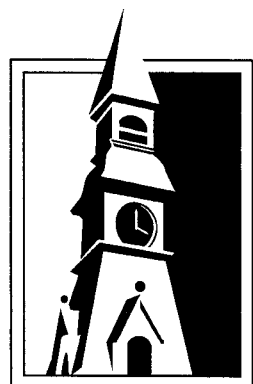
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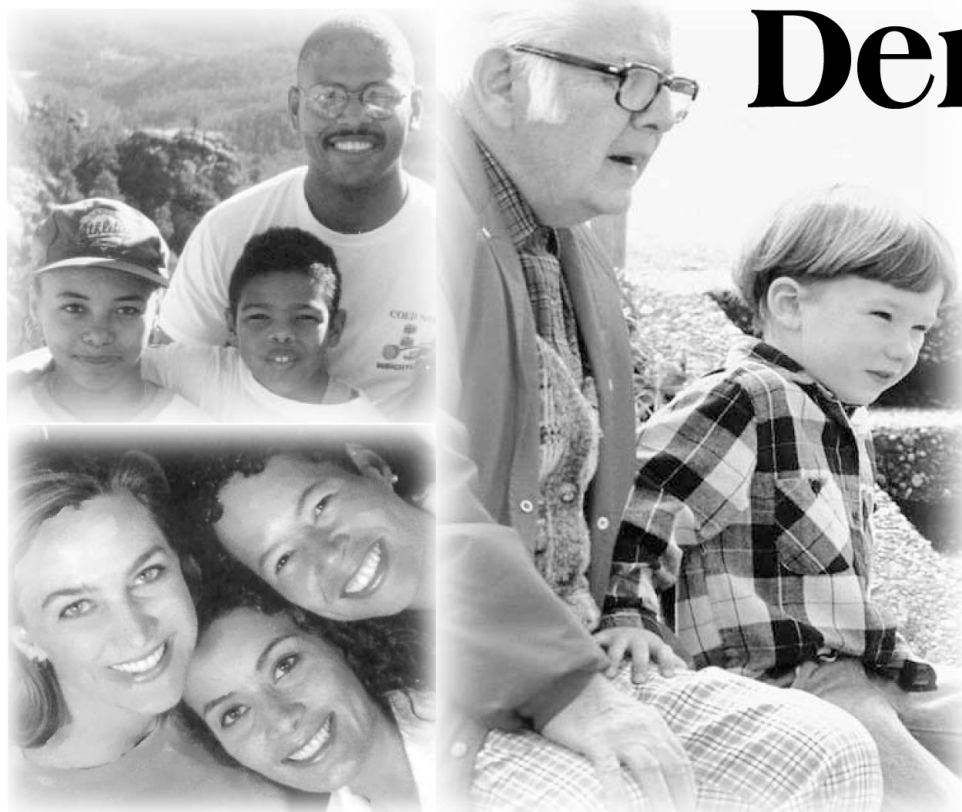
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Catholic Mass schedule

Saturday: Mass is at 5 p.m. Sacrament of reconciliation is at 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: Mass is at 7:30 and 10 a.m. Sacrament of reconciliation is at 9:15 a.m.

Daily: Catholic Mass and Communion is at 11:30 a.m. at Hope Chapel. Rosary begins at 11:10 a.m.

Protestant service schedule

Sunday: Protestant Contemporary Service is at 8:30 a.m. at the Hope Chapel.

Protestant Inspirational Gospel Service is at 11:15 a.m. at the Hope Chapel.

Protestant Traditional Service is at 11:15 a.m.

Friday: Marriage Builders is at 11:30 a.m. Registration required. Aim High Bible Study is at 7 p.m. For location, call 899-8320.

Saturday: Young Married Bible Study is at 6 p.m. For location, call 546-4553.

Monday: Protestant Women of the Chapel is a bi-monthly meeting at 6 p.m. Childcare is provided. Call for schedule.

Tuesday: Women's Bible study is 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Childcare provided. Singles Bible study is at 7 p.m. in the third floor dayroom, Building 4224.

Wednesday: Men's Ensemble meets at 4:30 p.m.; Cantata rehearsal is at 6 p.m.; Angel and Chancel Choirs meet at 7 p.m. Protestant Youth meet at 6:30 p.m. and Children's Bible study is at 7 p.m.

Thursday: Mothers of Preschoolers meet the second Thursday of each month from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Childcare is provided.

Protestant Men of the Chapel meet the second Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m.

Community Services

Give Parents a Break

The Family Support Center offers Give Parents A Break tomorrow from 2 to 6 p.m. The program offers free childcare twice a month for active-duty families to offer a break from the stresses of parenting when one parent is deployed, a recent Permanent Change of Station and unique circumstances and hardships. For more information or a referral, call 228-5690.

Right Start/Medical Start program

The Family Support Center offers Right Start/Medical Start Tuesday from 8 to 4 p.m. at the Officer's Club Palo Verde Room. Newcomers to D-M, including active duty, DoD civilians and spouses can learn about available services and programs. Free babysitting provided. For more information, call 228-5690.

Marriage counseling

The Life Skills Support Center offers marital counseling to active-duty members and their spouses. For information, call 228-4926.

Divorce Care

D-M's Chapel services offers Divorce Care

Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Desert Dove Chapel. This divorce and separation workshop focuses on hope and healing. For more information, call 228-5411.

Interview Workshops

The Family Support Center has an Interview Workshop Monday from 8 to 10 a.m. to help improve employment interview skills. For more information, call 228-5690.

Deployed spouse program

The Deployed Spouse Hearts Apart Program has a free bowling event tomorrow from 1 to 3 p.m. For more information, call 228-5690.

Thrift Shop

D-M Thrift Shop is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9 to 2 p.m. For more information, call 228-2120.

Cat Neuter Clinic

The Vet Clinic is taking reservations for a cat neuter clinic offered Tuesday. If you have a male cat that is at least 4 months old and would like more information, contact Army Spc. Hodge at Angela.Hodge@dm.af.mil.

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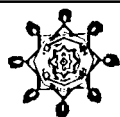
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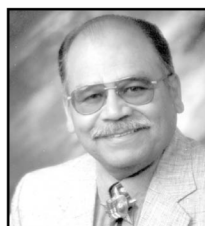
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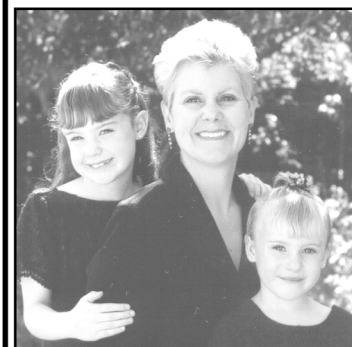
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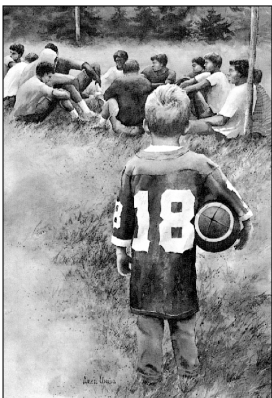
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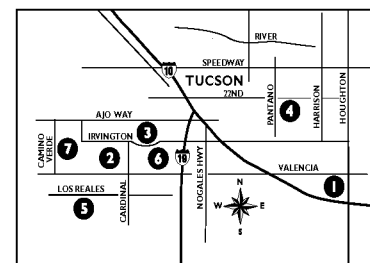
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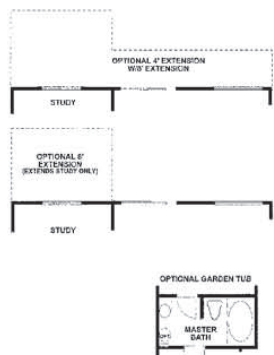
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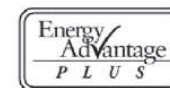
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